

# **Kansas Attorney General**

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A new law requires the Attorney General to create signs that can be used to ban the open carry of firearms in buildings. This law (HB 2578) takes effect on July 1, 2014.

On May 28, 2014, the Attorney General met with stakeholders for advice on what the new open carry signs should look like. The Attorney General's Office has created the following proposed rules for open carry inside buildings based on that advice. These rules will go into effect on July 1, 2014:

- If a building owner wants to *allow both open and concealed carry*, then the building should not be posted with <u>any</u> signs that ban firearms inside the building.
- If the building owner wants to *ban both open and concealed carry*, then each entrance to the building must be posted with one of the following:
  - 1. For private buildings, this sign; or
  - 2. For exempt state or municipal buildings, <u>this sign</u>, or a previously approved version thereof.
- If a building owner wants to *ban only concealed carry but allow open carry*, then the building must be posted with one of the following:
  - 1. For state or municipal buildings that are exempt from the 2013 law that requires those buildings to allow concealed carry, this sign, or
  - 2. For private buildings, this sign.
- If a building owner wants to *allow concealed carry but ban open carry*, then the building must be posted with <u>this octagon-shaped sign</u>.

These rules are temporary, but the Attorney General's Office will be holding a public hearing in the coming months to get public input on these signs. You may submit written comments <u>online</u> or in writing to:

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Once that public input is received, the Attorney General's Office will set permanent sign rules. Be sure to check <a href="www.ag.ks.gov">www.ag.ks.gov</a> for updates on when the public hearing will be scheduled.

#### Consult the tables below for a graphic representation of these options:

## **Private Buildings**

	Concealed Carry Allowed	Concealed Carry Prohibited
Open Carry Allowed	No sign required.	OPEN CARRY ALLOWED CONCEALED CARRY PROHBITED  Click here to download.
Open Carry Prohibited	THE OPEN CARRYING OF FIREARMS IN THIS BUILDING IS PROHIBITED  Click here to download.	Click here to download.

### **Exempt State or Municipal Buildings**

	Concealed Carry Allowed	Concealed Carry Prohibited
Open Carry Allowed	No sign required.	OPEN CARRY PROHIBITED  State or Municipal Building EXEMPT  Click here to download.
Open Carry Prohibited	THE OPEN CARRYING OF FIREARMS IN THIS BUILDING IS PROHIBITED  Click here to download.	State or Municipal Building EXEMPT What of a fact the way on the charge and the c